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SUBJECT: CYCLONE DAMAGE - ADDITIONAL BUDGET REQUEST

REF: POST DAMAGE ESTIMATES MEMO FEB. 19, HANDCARRIED TO DAY,  
AF/EX BY BEAUCHAMP, AID/PHA/FDRC

1. WE ARE DOING OUR UTMOST TO ABSORB AS MANY AS POSSIBLE CYCLONE  
DAMAGE RECOVERY COSTS IN OUR AUTHORIZED FY 75 POST BUDGET. BUT  
IN MY JUDGMENT THIS POST URGENTLY NEEDS ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY  
BUDGET FOR THESE PURPOSES OF AT LEAST \$14,000 BROKEN DOWN AS  
FOLLOWS:

A) EMBASSY OFFICES (CARPETING AND WIRING) \$800

B) US STAFF HOUSES (MAINLY WATER DAMAGE TO FURNITURE, DRAPES,  
CARPETS & APPLIANCES) \$2,500

C) AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE (MAINLY PERIMETER WALL SECTIONS,  
OUTSIDE SECURITY LIGHTING, OUT BUILDING REPAIRS, WINDOW PANES,  
AWNINGS, CURTAINS, DRAPES, CARPETING, PAINTING AND WIRING) \$10,700

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2. FOR MY GOVERNMENT-OWNED RESIDENCE ALSO BADLY NEED AUTHORIZATION PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH CONSTRUCTION DETACHED CYCLONE-PROOF THREE-CAR GARAGE BEHIND HOUSE, ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL COST \$6,000. SINCE THIS POST HAS NO GARAGE FACILITY OF ANY KIND FOR EMBASSY VEHICLES, THIS WILL PROVIDE BEST POSSIBLE SECURITY AGAINST STORM DAMAGE, VANDALISM AND TAMPERING. I HAVE PERSONALLY DESIGNED THIS GARAGE FOR ADEQUATE STRENGTH, ECONOMY AND SUITABLE APPEARANCE. (50-FOOT PINE TREE FELL WITHIN FIVE FEET OF COM VEHICLE DURING CYCLONE. IF ONLY THAT ONE VEHICLE HAD TO BE REPLACED IT WOULD CERTAINLY COST MORE THAN GARAGE I AM REQUESTING, SINCE NO CYCLONE INSURANCE AVAILABLE HERE.)

3. ALSO URGENTLY REQUEST ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AUTHORIZATION PURCHASE ONE 10 KW GAS-DRIVEN GENERATOR (ESTIMATED COST \$2,800 DELIVERED) FOR INSTALLATION AT RESIDENCE. THIS SIZE REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE TRANSMISSION SURTES ON E&E RADIO PLUS FREEZERS FOR PERISHABLE FOOD FOR STAFF AND MYSELF DURING EMERGENCIES.

4. AMONG MANY OTHER THINGS WE HAVE ALREADY ABSORBED IN OUR BUDGET IS COST OF MORE THAN 60 RPT 60 TRUCK LOADS OF DEBRIS REMOVED FROM RESIDENCE GROUNDS, LARGE TREE SURGERY AND SOME HOUSE REPAIRS.

5. I REALIZE OF COURSE THAT MOST OF FOREGOING REQUESTS INVOLVE GOVERNMENT-OWNED REAL ESTATE AND THEREFORE FBO, BUT THE GUTS OF THE MATTER ARE HEAVILY INVOLVED AS MUCH OR MORE WITH THE BASIC SECURITY, ESSENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS AND VERY SURVIVAL OF OUR STAFF IN CASE OF ANOTHER NATURAL OR MAN-MADE EMERGENCY.  
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